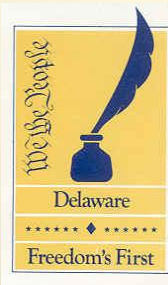


Welcome

Delaware History Decorated Egg Contest

Basic Egg Decorating Workshop



What we are not going to do tonight

<http://www.nysun.com/antiques/shes-one-good-egg/86457/>



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What we are going to do tonight:

Learn a bit about decorating large chicken eggs, not extra large, not pullets, just large chicken eggs



But first, a bit of history:

In 1994, then First Lady, Hillary Clinton decided to work with the American Egg Board and have a State decorated egg display at the White House.

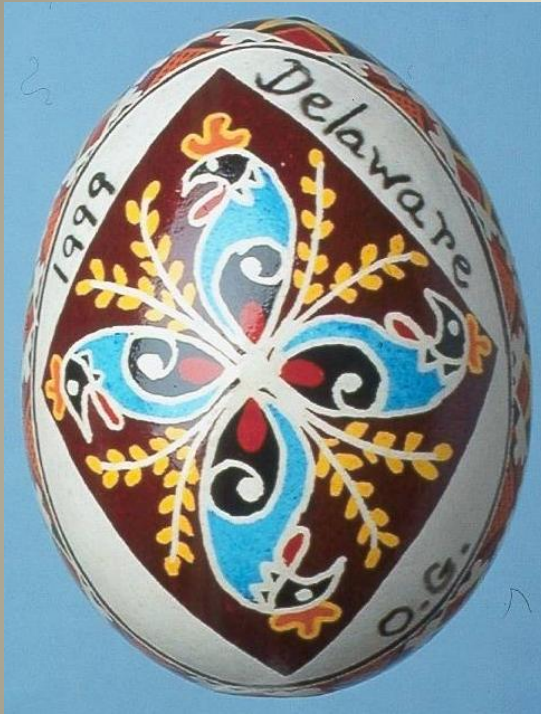


Each of the fifty states were to choose an egg artist to decorate an egg to commemorate their state.

The tradition continued through 2008.



Eggs from Delaware egg artists







Basic Tool Kit

Egg blower
Cuticle scissors
Tooth picks
Emery boards
Paint brushes
Masking tape
Paper clips
Rubber bands

Decorating Materials

Adhesive Cement
Cuticle scissors
Glue
Paint and/or dyes
Paint brushes
Masking tape
Decoupage
Tissue paper
Sewing Braid
Rickrack
Ribbons
Beads and beading
Velvet
Flowers
Lace
Embroidery Thread

Decorating Materials Cont.

Glitter

Knitting yarn

Decorative hinges

Photographs

Transparencies

Removing egg contents

Whether you dye, paint, or decoupage your egg masterpieces, they'll last longer if you blow out the contents and remove the white and yolk, leaving only the shell to decorate.

Removing egg contents – Method 1

What You Need:

Egg

Drill with 1/8-inch bit

Sharp cuticle scissors

Bowl

Ear syringe

Soap and water

Bleach

1/8-inch-diameter dowel

Masking tape

Instructions:



Step 1.

1. Remove the contents of the egg. Make a hole as small as 1/8 inch in each end of a hen's egg. A mini drill (like the Dremel Moto Tool shown in photo) and sharp-pointed cuticle scissors are good tools for keeping the holes small. Work over a bowl. The insides may start draining when you pierce the second opening.



Step 2.

2. Keeping the egg over a bowl or the sink, use an ear syringe to blow air into the egg and force the contents out the opposite hole. Rinse the egg with mild soap, water, and a small amount of bleach.



Step 3.

3. Slip empty eggshell onto a dowel. For decoupage, you want to avoid getting fingerprints on the eggshell, so slide it onto a 1/8-inch-diameter dowel. To prevent the egg from sliding, wrap a small piece of masking tape around the dowel just above and below the egg.

Removing egg contents – Method 2

This one we're going to do tonight

http://www.allthingsukrainian.com/Class/Blow_Egg/Egg_Blower.htm

What you need:

A handy/dandy *Blow*

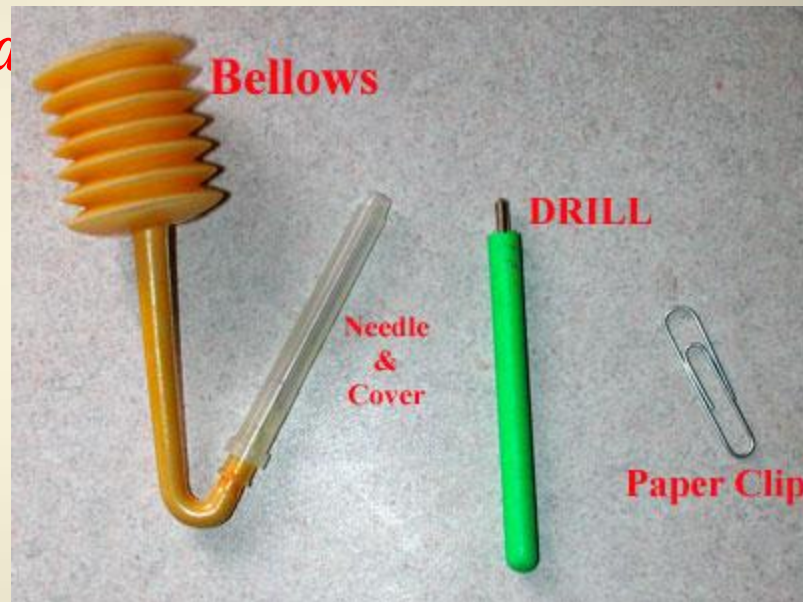
Paper Clip

Egg

Bowl

Soap and water

Bleach



Kit contains a hand-held drilling tool, pump (bellows) and blunt hollow needle

STEP 1 POSITION THE DRILL



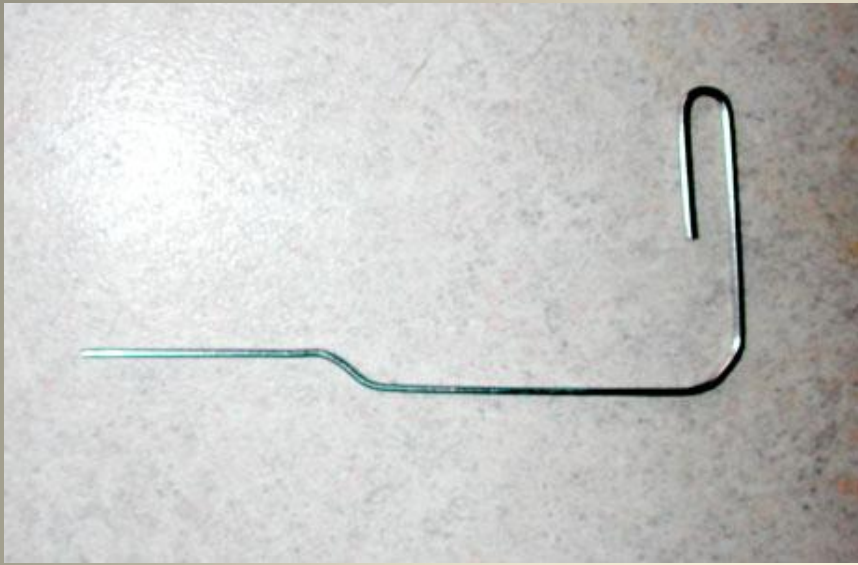
Grasp the hand drill in your hand so that the end of the handle is braced against the inside of your finger or the palm of your hand. Touch the metal tip at the intersection on what you choose as the bottom of the egg. If you are making a hanging ornament, then make the hole on the top of the egg.

STEP 2 TWIST THE DRILL



Apply firm pressure and twist the drill forward and back. Too much pressure will risk cracking the egg, too little and it will take longer to drill the hole. Until you get the hang of this, error on the side of patience and take your time. The drill slowly scrapes a hole in the shell. Be extremely careful when finally breaking through. If you push too hard, the handle has been known to continue on into the shell, making a slightly larger hole than expected.

STEP 3 SCRAMBLE THE YOLK



If you have one of those retro In the Egg Scramblers, you might try it here. Otherwise, unfold the paperclip and insert it into the hole you made. Move it up and down, side to side, twirl it to break up the yolk sack in the egg. I also cover the hole with my thumb and shake the egg vigorously. If you don't sufficiently break up the yolk, the sack will clog the hole resulting in a broken egg.

STEP 4 BLOW OUT THE EGG



Remove the cover from the needle. Position the egg and insert the needle as shown. Place your thumb over the hole on the bellows and slowly pump air into the egg. The liquid inside the egg falls to the bottom of the shell above the hole. Air pumped inside the egg pushes the liquid down through the hole.

Don't put the base of the needle against the shell, leave room for the liquid to flow out. If you encounter something blocking the hole, withdraw the needle and scramble the yolk a little more. Sometimes if you can get the egg sack partially protruding from the hole, it might be possible to just grab it with your fingers and pull it out. If the shell is weak or a crack exists, here is where the egg will break.

STEP 5 RINSE OUT THE SHELL



Even if you completely empty out the egg matter from the shell in step 4, residue will still remain. Residue that will stink and drip stinky goo on your display shelf. To prevent this, the egg needs to be completely rinsed and dried. The Blas Fix has a hole in the bellows. Fill it with water from your faucet. Cover the hole on the bellows with your finger, placing the needle inside the shell and squirt the water all around.

STEP 5 RINSE OUT THE SHELL



Then withdraw the needle, cover the hole on the egg and shake it like a can of spray paint. Then using the egg blower, repeat step 4 and blow out the rinse.

Repeat this as many times as it takes until the liquid coming out is clear.

STEP 5 RINSE OUT THE SHELL Cont.



Then, place the egg with the hole side down in a ring stand on top of several layers of tissue. Let it drain and replace the tissue the following day. If it remains dry, then the egg is ready for use or a coat of polyurathane.

Egg Coloring Chart

Following the instruction on the chart below to mix each color. Mix the number of drops of each food coloring with about 2 – 4 ounces of vinegar for dipping.

Lime – 24 yellow, 4 green

Purple – 15 blue, 5 red

Cantaloupe – 24 yellow, 2 red

Jade – 17 green, 3 blue

Plum – 10 red, 4 blue

Spearmint – 12 green, 6 yellow, 2 blue

Raspberry – 14 red, 6 blue

Maize – 24 yellow, 1 red

Egg Coloring Chart (cont.)

Watermelon – 25 red, 2 blue

Teal – 15 green, 5 blue

Grape – 17 blue, 3 red

Fuchsia – 18 red, 2 blue

Orange Sunset – 17 yellow, 3 red

Jungle Green – 14 green, 6 yellow

For larger volumes, keep the ratio the same – double or triple the amount of vinegar and the number of drops of each color.

Use this color chart to make your Easter egg coloring much more interesting and build some new family traditions around it.

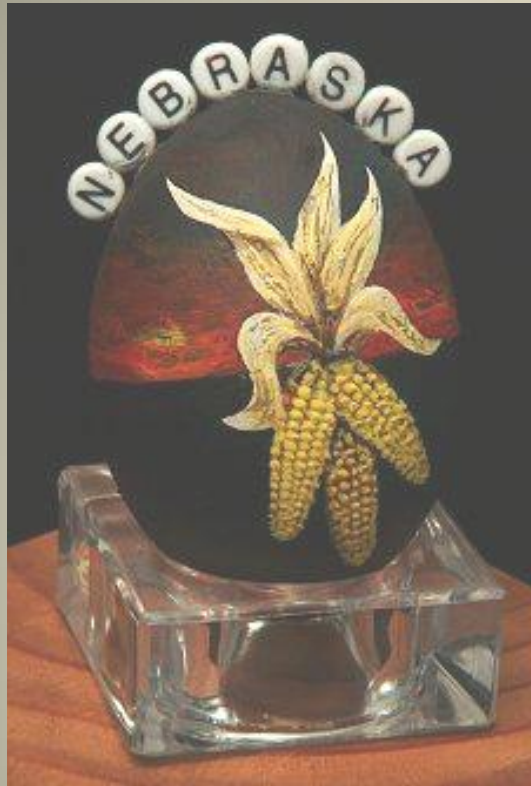
Uncut - Painted Eggs

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Hawaii





Uncut Beaded and Glitter



Uncut Knitted, Embroidery, Thread, Lace

Nebraska – 3rd Place – 2007



Kansas



"Nebraska, The Heart of the Heartland" is featured on this egg made in lace. The ocean areas are a hand-knitted lace; the areas of land, plus the North and South Poles are needle lace.

Cut shells inside and out



Connecticut



California



Nevada



History Themed Eggs





Nebraska – 1st Place -2007 – Carolyn Rix



A "*Cornhusker Quilt*" on this Pysanky egg represents calicos of cows, corn, Chimney Rock, Sandhills Cranes, and Arbor Day trees, with prints of pioneers, pigs, and patriotism to honor the heritage of Nebraska. Using this Ukrainian tradition, the egg is dyed in a series of hot wax applications and dye baths.

Nebraska – 2nd Place – 2007 – Veronica Kiuntke



The Villasur Massacre that occurred in 1720 near the confluence of the Loup and Platte rivers near Columbus is depicted on this acrylic painted egg. The figures shown are from the oldest known painting of a Nebraska subject (on three buffalo skins). Figures include Pedro de Villasur, commander of the Spanish expedition, a Spanish priest, and a Chief Scout.

Nebraska – 2007 – Pat Ruge



Acrylic paint and glitter adorn this egg that represents a Yellow School Bus. Franklin, Nebraska, native Frank W. Cyr, organized the first conference on Standards for School Transportation and led him to be known as the "Father of the Yellow School Bus."

Rhode Island – 2008 – Kimberly Mayer-Oliva

Roger Williams Park Zoo
Established in 1872



Guess who and where?



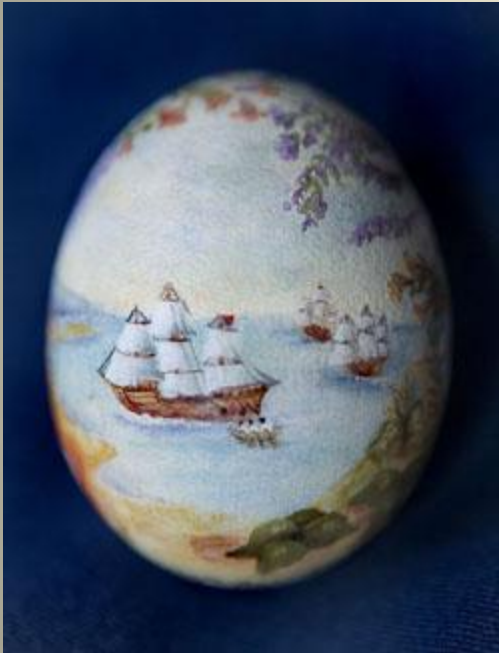
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